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David R. Bartkowiak)	Art Unit: 3752
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Application No.: 10/023,562)	Examiner: Kim, Christopher S.
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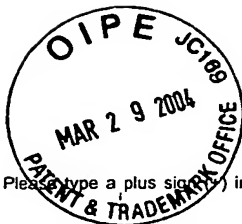
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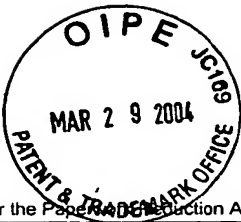
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1002	2002	340	170	Design filing fee	
1003	2003	530	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	2004	770	385	Reissue filing fee	
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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1202	2002	18	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	2001	86	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	2203	290	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	2204	86	43	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	2205	18	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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1051	2051	130	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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1053	1053	130	130	Non-English specification	
1812	1812	2,520	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	1804	920*	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1805	1,840*	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	2251	110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	2252	420	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	2253	950	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	2254	1,480	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2255	2,010	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	2401	330	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	2402	330	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	2403	290	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1451	1,510	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	2452	110	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	2453	1,330	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	2501	1,330	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	2502	480	240	Design issue fee	
1503	2503	640	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	1460	130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	1807	50	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	1806	180	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	180
8021	8021	40	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	2809	770	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	2810	770	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	2801	770	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	1802	900	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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